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MARCH EVENTS AT THE NASA VISITOR CENTER

Saturday, March 3: Model Rocket Launch

Model rocket launches will be held at 1 p.m. on the Visitor Center grounds. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

Saturday, March 3: Lunar Eclipse Party

Join us for children's program and activity about the moon and lunar eclipses, followed by an actual viewing of a total lunar eclipse from our observation deck. The program begins at 5 p.m. and the Visitor Center will remain open for viewing until 9:30 p.m. Cookies and cocoa will be served on the observation deck with periodic games of night sky trivia. This event is weather dependent.

Saturday, March 10 "Milky Ways and Globular Clusters" children's program Discover the Milky Way and our neighboring galaxies. Following the presentation, each family will make their own Galactic Mobile. The program begins at 1 p.m. and will last 40 minutes.

Saturday, March 17: "Aviation Bingo" children's program Learn all about airplanes and aviation in this fun and interactive game of bingo. The program will begin at 1 p.m. and will last 40 minutes.

Saturday, March 24: "Sun-Earth Connections" children's program Celebrate the recent equinox by learning all about our sun and how it affects us on Earth. Following the presentation, each child will make their very own functional sundial. Materials will be provided by the Visitor Center. The program will begin at 1 p.m. and will last 40 minutes.

Saturday, March 31: "Our Solar System" children's program Learn more about our sun and the planets and build your own model of Saturn to take home. The program begins at 1 p.m. and will last 40 minutes.

"Puppets in Space"

"Puppets in Space", a 10-minute puppet show, will be presented at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight, including the space suit. An eight-minute version of the film "Astrosmiles" follows the puppet show.

Daily: "Space Ace"

Children ages 5-10 years can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph during their Visitor Center experience by completing an activity sheet.

Sundays: "Humans in Space"

"Humans in Space" is the subject of a 1 p.m. program for children of all ages. The 30-minute program looks at living and working in space, including a review of the astronauts' culinary delights and their wardrobe.

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, Va. Admission to Visitor Center programs is free. For further information, please call (757) 824-2298.

For more information about the Visitor Center on the Internet, visit http://www.wff.nasa.gov/vc

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